MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from Government why about 2/3 of the amount sanctioned for 1115 was not given as agricultural loans?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO: It may have been that the applications for loans were not admissible.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know why out of 374 applications in 1115 only 43 were sanctioned?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Only 43 applications were admissible and all the others were evidently not admissible under the Rules.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Was it due to the defect in the form of applications?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO: It was not only due to the defect in the form but also due to defect in the substance of the applications. In some cases the properties were not valuable as securities. In others there were prior encumbrances.

Text books for 1114.

28. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of text books published by Government in 1114 for the use of students;

(*b*) the total cost the Government had to bear in publishing them;

(*c*) the selling price for each copy of each book;

(*d*) the total number of copies of each book sold; and

(*e*) the amount realised thereby?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 42.

(*b*) Rs. 56,970.

(*c*), (*d*) and (*e*) *A statement containing the information is laid on the table.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: From answer to part (b) it is seen that Government had spent Rs. 56,970 but from answer to part (d) it is seen that Government have realised Rs. 66,288 and odd. May I know from these whether the idea of Government is to make a profit?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Yes.

Labour Unions in Travancore.

29. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of labour unions registered in Travancore; and

(*b*) the number of unions working properly now?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries and Registrar of Trade Unions*):

(*a*) 23.

(*b*) All the unions are working properly.

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